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STEP INTO SUMMER!

PURPOSE: The purpose of the "Training Today Newsletter" is to provide assistance and support for TPAES users submitting PAE applications. We also use this notification to communicate upcoming LTSS initiatives and to describe how those may affect your daily practices.

Please forward to staff in your company that complete or submit TennCare (Medicaid) PAEs/PASRRs. This contains vital information for all TPAES users.

Group 3 Eligibility Changes coming July 1st

Effective July 1, 2015, TennCare will no longer apply higher income limits called institutional income standards (300% of the SSI Federal Benefit Rate—currently \$2,199 per month) in order for people to qualify not just for Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) in CHOICES Group 3, but also for Medicaid/TennCare.

Starting July 1, 2015, people will need to qualify for SSI (Supplemental Security Income from the Social Security Administration) in order to enroll in Group 3.

These changes will <u>not</u> impact people already enrolled in CHOICES Group 3. People enrolled in CHOICES Group 3 as of June 30, 2015 can continue to qualify for and receive HCBS (and other Medicaid services) so long as they continue to be "at risk" of nursing home placement and meet the financial eligibility criteria currently applicable to these services.

TPAES Browser Support

For logging into TPAES via a web browser, please ensure you are using a supported browser:

FireFox 5.0 and above Supported FireFox 4.0 Unsupported FireFox 3.6.7 Supported Mozilla 1.7.13 Unsupported Internet Explorer 10.0 Supported Internet Explorer 9.0 Supported Internet Explorer 8.0 Supported Google Chrome 12.0 and above Supported Google Chrome 1.0 Unsupported Safari 2.0.3 Unsupported

Quick Tips! Medicaid Only Payer Date

- The MOPD must be a known date, not a guess or estimate.
- This is the date that the facility certifies that Medicaid reimbursement for NF services will begin because the person has in fact been admitted to the facility and all other sources of reimbursement (including Medicare and private pay) have been exhausted.

Know Your Numbers

In April 2015, TennCare received 2780 PAEs. That's more than 132 PAEs every work day!



Training Resources

Here at TennCare, we have created a new and improved all-inclusive online training! To view the online training click this link:

http://stateoftennessee.adobeconnect.com/choic esallonlinetraining/

We have also created a PAE Manual that is a great resource for PAE assessors and submitters. To view the manual click this link:

https://tn.gov/assets/entities/tenncare/attachments/PAEManual.pdf

Save the Date!

NF Webinars continue this month! Join us and other NFs as we go through submitting a NF PAE from beginning to end. To register, email LTSS.RSVP@tn.gov with the subject line "NF Monthly Webinar" to join us on May 7th or 22nd from 10:00-11:00am CST.

